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This is a ndgrave occasion. It's wonderful to be here and see some of the old friends and colleagues from long ago and to reminisce how we were able to keep in touch with each other over all the years. I am anxious not to delay the festivities which Geoffrey Jones has arranged after dinner. I would only reassure you that we keep the can-do spirit that still flames strongly at the CIA. We maintain as he did so wonderfully the "test them, try them, and give them our all to make them wink." We reach out for talent in the great American ethnic community and we continue to reach out for talent as Donovan did, those gallant OGs of Scandanavian, Italian, French, Polish and Yugoslav Americans. We still celebrate the contributions Bill Donovan made to his country not only in his leadership of the OSS but in his valiant record in World War I. On Monday at the CIA Auditorium in Langley, there is an opening ceremony for an exhibit at our Headquarters which is entitled "With the Fighting Sixty-Ninth: Donovan in World War I."